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In re Application of:)
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Filed: December 20, 2005) : Confirmation No.: 9818
For: IMAGE FORMING METHOD, IMAGE)
FORMING APPARATUS, INTERMEDIATE :
TRANSFER BODY, AND METHOD OF)
MODIFYING SURFACE OF INTERMEDIATE : December 14, 2007
TRANSFER BODY)

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Further to the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed October 5, 2007, in compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the document listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of the listed document is enclosed.

CN 1360230 was cited in an Office Action in a corresponding Chinese patent application, and corresponds to US 6,510,307. A copy of the Chinese Office Action and a translation thereof are enclosed. The document may be relevant at least for the reasons summarized in the Chinese Office Action.

US 2003/0068571 and US 2003/0103123, also cited in the Chinese Office Action, were previously cited in an Information Disclosure Statement dated December 20, 2005

STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)

Each item of information in this information disclosure statement, other than the corresponding U.S. document, was first cited in any communication from a foreign Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing date of this Statement.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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